Schedule of Community Meetings October & November 2005

Neighborhood Board Meetings

Aiea NB No. 20

Monday, October 10, 7:30 PM Monday, November 14, 7:30 PM Aiea Library Conference Room

Aliamanu/ Salt Lake/ Foster Village NB No. 18

Thursday, October 13, 7:00 PM Thursday, November 10, 7:00 PM Aliamanu Inter. School Cafeteria

Kalihi-Palama NB No.15

Wednesday, October 19, 7:00 PM Wednesday, November 16, 7:00 PM Kapalama School Cafeteria

Community Associations

Ala Hapuu

Monday, November 7, 7:00 PM Salt Lake District Park

Kalihi-Palama Community Council

Monday, October 3, 7:00PM Monday, November 7, 7:00PM Susannah Wesley Community Center

Moanalua Gardens Community Association

Tuesday, October 4, 7:00 PM Tuesday, November 1, 7:00 PM Moanalua Middle, Room B1

Aiea-Pearl City Town Hall Meeting

IDENTITY THEFT INFORMATIONAL SESSION Tuesday, October 11, 6:30PM Pearl Ridge Elementary School Cafeteria

Wednesday, November 30, 7:00PM Pearl Ridge Elementary School Cafeteria



Above: Moanalua Middle student, **Michael Egami** and Senator Sakamoto. Michael mentioned his future political aspirations and requested to wear Senator's coat. Best Wishes to you Michael, our future Senator!



Above: Speaker Calvin Say, (Ret) Thomas S. Ito (former Deputy Adjutant General, Hawaii and former USPFO), Senator Sakamoto, Rep. Mark Takai, Major Tammy Duckworth at the National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) General Conference.

Senator Sakamoto along with Speaker Say and Representative Ken Ito were awarded the **NGAUS Charles Dick Medal of Merit**. The medal is designed to recognize the contributions to the National Guard by elected representatives to legislative bodies at the state and national levels. CONGRATULATIONS!

Mahalo to CLARA K.OSANO

for your continued support of the Moanalua Gardens
Community Association!
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Above: Senator Sakamoto and **Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano** at the USS Arizona Memorial National Park. Governor Napolitano pledged financial support for the reconstruction of the visitors center, which is sinking in the oceanside gravel that it sits on.



SENATOR NORMAN SAKAMOTO

Senator 15 District

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October 2005

In light of the devastation along the Gulf Coast due to Hurricane Katrina, state lawmakers held a two-day briefing on September 12-13 to get an overview of the state's storm detection and warning system and the current status of Hawaii's overall hurricane preparedness. Officials from various agencies and organizations including the Hawaii State Civil Defense and Oahu Civil Defense Agency briefed the legislators on their disaster and evacuation plans.

Ed Teixeira, the vice director of Civil Defense, and Major General Robert Lee, the director of Civil Defense said Hawaii has worked hard to coordinate its disaster plan among counties, the military and other federal agencies. Teixera said that the state's goal has been to provide emergency shelter space for 462,000 peopleand is currently short about 124,000 spaces. He said it would cost \$35 million to upgrade emergency shelters. Teixera also suggested that the state invest more money in its siren warning system, increase the authorization in the state's major disaster fund from \$1 million a year to between \$2 million and \$4 million a year, and require all new development projects to include siren warnings and emergency shelters.

Senator Sakamoto along with other individuals in the community are members of the Certified Emergency Response Team (CERT) trained by Toby Clairmont.





Above: Senator Sakamoto and **Major General Robert Lee**, director of Civil Defense at the informational briefing on hurricane preparedness.

Below: Senator Sakamoto, WW II Veterans **Early Nishioka**, and **Eric Ako** at Pearl Harbor commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the end of World War II.

Left: Moanalua Middle School Students in Mr. Keith Wong's class take a moment to smile for the camera during the X-Treme Reading Mega Challenge.



Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair Senate Committee on Education and Military Affairs Senator 15th District

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